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Guide to Test Interpretation

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High School*

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Explanation of Examinations and Scoring

This *Guide to Test Interpretation* provides an overview of reporting for Arizona's Instrument to Measure Standards High School (AIMS HS). It is intended to help educators apply test report data to the needs of individual students and the district as a whole.

The Purpose of Testing

One of the principal purposes of a school testing program is to provide teachers with information to help students learn. Testing, or assessment, plays a vital role in today's education environment. Assessment results often are a major force in shaping public perceptions about the capabilities of our students and the quality of our schools. As a primary tool for educators and policymakers, assessment is used for many important purposes. Assessment results are used to help improve teaching and learning and to evaluate programs and schools. Assessment is also used to generate the data upon which policy decisions are made. Because of the important functions it performs, educational assessment is a fundamental activity in every school, district, and state. It is a vital complement to innovation, higher standards, and educational excellence.

AIMS HS is the result of many years of intense effort and collaboration among teachers, administrators, and the Arizona Department of Education. AIMS HS measures the student's level of proficiency in Writing, Reading, Mathematics, and Science.

How Results Are Measured

Students are tested on the Writing, Reading, Mathematics, and Science Standards. Each standard uses the format of levels—Strands, Concepts, and Performance Objectives. The Strands are identified subsets of a content area with Concepts attached to each Strand, and Performance Objectives attached to each Concept. Concepts are **broad statements** of what students should know and be able to accomplish. For example, in the Reading content area, one Concept is to employ strategies to comprehend text. Performance Objectives are specific **measurable statements** beginning with an action verb to identify what students should know and what skills they should be able to accomplish. For example, in the Mathematics content area, one Performance Objective is to express the relationship between two variables using tables/matrices, equations, or graphs.

These academic standards were developed by Arizona teachers for Arizona students. Further information about Writing, Reading, Mathematics, and Science Standards; AIMS HS testing; and assessment reports is available on the Arizona Department of Education Web site at <http://www.azed.gov/standards>.

Components of AIMS HS

The following content areas are covered in AIMS HS:

Writing

Basic and higher-order skills essential for effective written communication are combined in this test. These skills include writing compositions, using conventions of Standard English (spelling, grammar, capitalization, and punctuation), and revising writing to improve expression. AIMS HS Writing evaluates specific aspects of writing skills through the use of one extended-response writing prompt.

Reading

As students read fiction and nonfiction passages, interviews, editorials, and articles as part of AIMS HS Reading, they answer questions assessing skills such as reading comprehension, identification of support for main ideas, application of multi-step directions, ability to make and support assertions, and analysis and evaluation of themes. Multiple-choice questions target specific skills.

Mathematics

Real-world topics engage students' interest, provide context, and encourage confidence in their ability to do mathematics. Procedures such as estimation and mental computation are interwoven throughout AIMS HS Mathematics. Reading and interpreting graphs, as well as the principles of geometry and measurement, are also assessed.

Science

AIMS HS Science is designed to assess each student's ability to apply the processes of scientific inquiry to real-world scientific investigations. Students also answer questions that test their understanding and application of science content knowledge. Other questions evaluate students' understanding of the history and nature of science, the relationship between science and technology, and the impact of science and technology on humans and the environment.

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AIMS HS Reading, Mathematics, and Science contain multiple-choice questions with four possible answer choices. These answers are machine scored. AIMS HS Writing contains an extended-response writing prompt, which allows students to demonstrate their skills in more complex levels of thinking, and is scored by a professional staff experienced in providing reliable and consistent hand scoring.

Using Results

AIMS HS results and reports provide useful information for determining the performance of students in your school and classroom. This guide will also help you prepare for questions from parents, students, and other members of the educational community regarding AIMS HS results.

Each report is designed to present clearly the information most useful to you, to parents or guardians, and to students. The tables on this page and on page 4 show the reports and the quantities of each a school or district will receive.

AIMS HS Report Information

AIMS HS School and District Packages

Each Package listed below is sent for Writing/Reading, Mathematics, and Science.

School Summary Packages

Package 1

| Report | No. Copies |
|---|------------|
| Summary Concept Performance Report—School | 1 |
| Demographic Report—School* | 1 |
| Confidential Roster Report Detail with Roster Report Summary—School | 1 |
| Confidential Roster Report Detail with Roster Report Summary—Group | 2 |
| Confidential Concept Performance Report—School | 1 |
| Confidential Concept Performance Report—Group | 1 |

** not available for Science*

Package 2

| Report | No. Copies |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Summary Report—School | 1 |

School Student Packages

Package 1

| Report | No. Copies |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Student Report—School | 1 |

Package 2

| Report | No. Copies |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Student Report—School | 1 |

District Packages

Package 1

| Report | No. Copies |
|---|------------|
| Summary Concept Performance Report—District | 2 |
| Summary Concept Performance Report—School | 2 |
| Demographic Report—District* | 2 |
| Demographic Report—School* | 1 |
| Confidential Roster Report Detail with Roster Report Summary—School | 1 |

* not available for Science

Package 2

| Report | No. Copies |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Summary Report—District | 2 |
| Summary Report—School | 1 |
| Student Data File—Group | 1 on CD |

Sample Reports

Information Included on All Reports

- A** The name of the test assessment series appears here for easy identification.
- B** The name of the report is presented here. In this example, it is the Demographic Report.
- C** This area of the report is reserved for the name of the individual or group taking the assessment.
- D** The cohort of the individual or group is always included on the report. Each report contains results for one cohort.
- E** The purpose of the test is stated here. The wording in this section is different in the Science reports than in the Writing, Reading, and Mathematics reports.

The lower part of the left panel of each report provides more specific information about the test and the student or group, and may include the following:

- F** The test date.
- G** The District-School Number and the name of the School, District, and County as appropriate to the level being reported.

Although the individual Sample Reports featured in this document may reflect the results from a single AIMS HS content area, similar reports are generated for Writing, Reading, Mathematics, and Science. (The Demographic Report is not available for Science.)

| | | |
|--|--|----------|
| Arizona's | | A |
| Instrument to Measure | | |
| Standards | | |
| <hr/> | | B |
| Demographic Report | | |
| <hr/> | | |
| District: ANYDISTRICT | | C |
| <hr/> | | |
| <hr/> | | |
| COHORT: 2009 | | D |
| <hr/> | | |
| Purpose | | E |
| The AIMS HS is administered to determine a student's degree of competency in the Arizona Academic Standards for reading, writing, and mathematics. AIMS meets both federal and state assessment requirements. The data derived from AIMS is used to guide instruction and to measure school performance. | | |
| <hr/> | | |
| <hr/> | | |
| Test Date: 04/01/09 | | F |
| <hr/> | | |
| Dist#: XXXXX County: MARICOPA | | G |
| <hr/> | | |

Highlights of the Confidential Roster Report Detail

- A** Identifies the group and cohort. This report is generated at the group and school levels—the sample shown on the previous page is for the group.
- B** Lists students alphabetically within the group for the cohort tested.
- C** Provides each student's AIMS Scale Score and AIMS Performance Level within the Mathematics content area. Similar information will also be provided for the Writing, Reading, and Science content areas.
- D** Indicates the test date and identifies the District-School Number, School, District, and County.

Confidential Roster Report Detail with Roster Report Summary (Roster Report Summary)

| Performance Levels | | Reading | Writing |
|--|--|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| B | | | |
| 4 Exceeds | | 50% XX Students D | 27% XX Students |
| 3 Meets | | 38% XX Students C | 15% XX Students |
| 2 Approaches | | 27% XX Students | 8% XX Students |
| 1 Falls Far Below | | | |
| Students with Valid Results | | E XX | F XX |
| Mean Scale Score | | G XXX.X | H XXX.X |
| Students with no valid attempt or an invalidation are not included in the students with valid results and are not included in the summaries. | | | |

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Arizona's Instrument to Measure Standards

Roster Report Summary

Group: ANYCLASS

A

COHORT: 2008 AND BELOW

Purpose
The AIMS HS is administered to determine a student's degree of competency in the Arizona Academic Standards for reading, writing, and mathematics. AIMS meets both federal and state assessment requirements. The data derived from AIMS is used to guide instruction and to measure school performance.

Test Date: 02/24/09

I

Dist-Scale: 300000-300000
School: ANYSCHOOL
District: ANYDISTRICT
County: MARICOPA

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Highlights of the Roster Report Summary

- A** Identifies the group and cohort. This report is generated at the group and school levels—the sample shown on the previous page is for the group. The information provided reflects results for Writing and Reading content areas. Similar information will also be provided for the Mathematics and Science content areas.
- B** Identifies the four performance levels (“Exceeds,” “Meets,” “Approaches,” and “Falls Far Below”), showing “Exceeds” and “Meets” as passing.
- C** Provides and visually depicts the percentage and number of students in the four performance levels within the Reading content area.
- D** Provides and visually depicts the percentage and number of students in the four performance levels within the Writing content area.
- E** Indicates the number of students with valid results for the Reading content area.
- F** Indicates the number of students with valid results for the Writing content area.
- G** Indicates the mean scale score for the Reading content area.
- H** Indicates the mean scale score for the Writing content area.
- I** Indicates the test date and identifies the District-School Number, School, District, and County.

Demographic Report

| Arizona's Instrument to Measure Standards | | Number (N) and Percent (%) of Student Scores | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|--|------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----|-------|----|--------------------------------|----|------------------------|
| Mathematics | | Performance Level Categories | | | | | E | | Grouped Performance Levels | | Mean Scale Score |
| | | Exceeds N | Meets N | Approaches N | Falls Far Below N | % | % | % | Pass (Exceeds + Meets) N | % | |
| ANYDISTRICT | | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | XX | XXXXX | XX | XXXXX | XX | XXXXX |
| Ethnic Background | | | | | | | | | | | |
| White (Not Hispanic) | B | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Black or African American | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Hispanic or Latino | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| American Indian or Alaskan Native | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Asian or Pacific Islander | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Gender | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Male | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Female | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Special Program Membership | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Title I | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| English Language Learner | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| 504 Accommodation | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Migrant Education | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Special Education | | XXX | *** | | | | | | | | |
| Gifted Education | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Start School Year at This School | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| No | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Number of Years in the School | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 1 Year | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| 1 Year | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| 2 Years | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| 3 Years | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| 4 Years | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| 5 Years | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| 6 Years | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| More than 6 Years | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Start School Year at This District | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| No | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Braille | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Large Print | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Level of English Proficiency | | | | | | | | | | | |
| English Language Learner | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |
| Fluent English Proficient | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXX |

Students with no valid attempt or an invalidation are not included in the students with valid results and are not included in the summaries.

*** This group has no valid scores.

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Highlights of the Demographic Report

- A** Identifies the district and cohort. This report is generated at the school, district, and county levels—the sample shown on the previous page is for the district.
- B** Shows the demographic categories.
- C** Indicates the number of documents scored in the district as a whole and in each demographic category.
- D** Indicates the number of students with valid results in the district as a whole and in each demographic category. The number of Students with Valid Results (D) differs from the Number of Documents Scored (C) in that students with no valid attempt or an invalidation are not included in the number of students with valid results and are not included in the report summaries.
- E** Provides the number and percentage of student scores within each performance level for the district as a whole and for each demographic category.
- F** Provides the number and percentage of students with passing scores for the district as a whole and for each demographic category.
- G** Indicates the mean scale score for the district as a whole and for each demographic category.
- H** Indicates the test date and identifies the District Number and the County.

Student Report (front)

Arizona's Instrument to Measure Standards

Student Report

SARA ARMSTRONG

COHORT: 2012

Purpose
The AIMS Science is administered to determine a student's degree of competency in the Arizona Academic Standards for science. AIMS Science meets federal assessment requirements. The data derived from all AIMS testing is used to guide instruction and to measure school performance.



Birthdate: 09/23/83
SAISE#: 12345678

Test Date: 04/02/08

Dist-Scale#: 300000-300000
School: ANY SCHOOL
District: ANY DISTRICT
County: MARICOPA

Dear Parents/Guardians:

B

This Student Report shows your student's results for the AIMS Science Assessment. Results for the other content areas of AIMS are included in a separate Student Report.

Assessment results allow teachers to target specific concepts, ensuring that students learn more. The individual scores shown below indicate your student's knowledge and mastery of the Arizona Standards in the content area of science as demonstrated on the AIMS Science Assessment. Detailed information about a student's performance on each concept and strand tested is found under the Strand/Concepts Results.

Brief descriptions of the performance levels (Falls Far Below, Approaches, Meets, and Exceeds) can be found on the back of this report. Additional information about the Arizona Academic Standards and more detailed performance level descriptors can be found on the Arizona Department of Education website at www.azed.gov.

Sincerely,

Tom Horne

Tom Horne
Superintendent of Public Instruction

AIMS Standards Based Results

| Performance Levels | Science | Strand/Concept Title | Points Possible | Points Earned | Percent Correct |
|-----------------------------|--|---|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 4 Exceeds | D Score Range XXXX-XXXX | Science Str 1: Inquiry Process Con 1: Observations, Questions, Hypotheses Con 2: Scientific Testing Con 3: Analysis, Conclusions & Refinements Con 4: Communication | XX | XX | XXX |
| 3 Meets | XXX Score Range XXXX-XXXX | Str 2: History & Nature of Science Str 3: Sci in Personal & Social Perspectives Con 1/2/3: Envir/Sci Tech in Soc/Human Pop Str 4: Life Science | XX | XX | XXX |
| 2 Approaches | Score Range XXXX-XXXX | Con 1: The Cell Con 2: Molecular Basis of Heredity Con 3: Interdependence of Organisms Con 4: Biological Evolution Con 5: Matter, Energy & Organization | XX | XX | XXX |
| 1 Falls Far Below | Score Range XXXX-XXXX | | XX | XX | XXX |

The performance level indicates your student can consistently perform what is described for that level and the levels below. Your student may also be capable of performing some of the competencies described at


the higher levels, but not enough to have reached that level of performance. More detailed performance level descriptors can be found at www.azed.gov.

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Highlights of the Student Report (front)

- A** Identifies the student and cohort.
- B** Features a letter to parents/guardians. (The content of the letter in the Science reports is different from the content of the letter in the reports for Writing/Reading and Mathematics.)
- C** Identifies the four performance levels ("Exceeds," "Meets," "Approaches," and "Falls Far Below"), showing "Exceeds" and "Meets" as passing.
- D** Provides and illustrates with a bar graph the student's performance level within the performance level range in the Science content area.
- E** Identifies the strands and concepts in the Science content area.
- F** Indicates the points possible, points earned, and percent correct for each of the strands and concepts within the Science content area.
- G** Identifies the student's birth date and the Student Accountability Information System (SAIS) Number.
- H** Indicates the test date and identifies the District-School Number, School, District, and County.

Student Report (back)

| Arizona Performance Level Descriptors A | |
|---|--|
| Performance Levels | Science |
| 4 Exceeds | Students who score at this level demonstrate superior academic performance and knowledge at all levels in fulfillment of the science standard. They can specify the requirements of a valid, scientific theory, evaluate the effectiveness of conservation practices and preservation techniques, and describe the molecular basis of heredity in viruses and living things, including DNA replication and protein synthesis. |
| 3 Meets | Students who score in this level demonstrate a solid academic performance on subject matter as reflected by the science standard. Students who perform at this level are able to develop questions from observations that transition into testable hypotheses, predict the outcome of an investigation, design an appropriate written plan of action for testing a hypothesis, interpret data, and evaluate whether the data supports a proposed hypothesis. They can describe the purposes and processes of cellular reproduction, analyze the relationships among nucleic acids (DNA, RNA), genes, and chromosomes, analyze the degree of relatedness among various species, and explain how genotypic and phenotypic variations can result in adaptations that influence an organism's success in an environment. |
| 2 Approaches | Students who score in this level show partial understanding of the knowledge and application of the skills that are fundamental for proficient work. Students who perform at this level show some understanding of the science standard's concepts and procedures by being able to evaluate scientific information for relevance, demonstrate safe and ethical procedures, produce graphs that communicate data, identify the relationships among organisms, and describe the levels of organization of living things. Some gaps in knowledge and skills are evident and may require additional instruction and remediation in order to achieve a satisfactory level of understanding. |
| 1 Falls Far Below | Students who score in this level may have significant gaps and limited knowledge and skills that are necessary to satisfactorily meet the state's science standard. Students will usually require a considerable amount of additional instruction and remediation in order to achieve a satisfactory level of understanding. |
|  | |

Highlights of the Student Report (back)

A Defines performance levels.

Summary Report

Arizona's Instrument to Measure Standards

Summary Report

School: ANYSCHOOL

A

COHORT: 2010

Purpose

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Test Date: 04/01/08

H

Dist-Scale: XXXXXX-XXXXX
District: ANYDISTRICT
County: MARICOPA

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Mathematics

Number (N) and Percent (%) of Student Scores

| | Number of Documents Scored | Students with Valid Results | Performance Level Categories | | | | E | | Grouped Performance Levels | | Mean Scale Score |
|-------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------|------------|-------------|-------|----|----------------------------|----|------------------|
| | | | Exceeds | Meets | Approaches | Falls Below | N | % | Pass (Exceeds + Meets) | N | % |
| ARIZONA | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | XX | XXXXX | XX | XXXXX |
| MARICOPA | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XXXX | XX | XXXX | XX | XXXX |
| ANYDISTRICT | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXXX |
| ANYSCHOOL | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXXX |
| BROWN | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXXX |
| DAVIDSON | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXXX |
| DESAI | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXXX |
| HALLIGAN | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXXX |
| HAMILTON | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXXX |
| PEREZ | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXXX |
| QUINONES | XXX | *** | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXXX |
| SANGHAVI | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXXX |
| TRASK | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX | XX | XXX | XX | XXXX |

Students with no valid attempt or an invalidation are not included in the students with valid results and are not included in the summaries.
*** This group has no valid scores.

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Highlights of the Summary Report

- A** Identifies the school and cohort. This report is generated at the school, district, and county levels—the sample shown on the previous page is for the school.
- B** Identifies the state, county, district, school, and groups that participated in the assessment.
- C** Indicates the number of documents scored by state, county, district, school, and group.
- D** Indicates the number of students with valid results by state, county, district, school, and group. The number of Students with Valid Results (D) differs from the Number of Documents Scored (C) in that students with no valid attempt or an invalidation are not included in the number of students with valid results and are not included in the report summaries.
- E** Provides the number and percentage of student scores in the four performance levels within the Mathematics content area by state, county, district, school, and group.
- F** Provides the number and percentage of students with passing scores within the Mathematics content area by state, county, district, school, and group.
- G** Indicates the mean scale score by state, county, district, school, and group.
- H** Indicates the test date and identifies the District-School Number, District, and County.

Highlights of the Confidential Concept Performance Report

- A** Identifies the school and cohort. This report is generated at the group and school levels—the sample shown on the previous page is for the school.
- B** Identifies the strands and concepts for the Reading content area.
- C** Identifies the six traits of effective writing for the Writing content area.
- D** Indicates the number of points possible for each strand and concept within the Reading content area and for each trait within the Writing content area.
- E** Indicates the mean points for the group for each strand and concept within the Reading content area and for each trait within the Writing content area.
- F** Provides the points earned by individual students, listed alphabetically, for each strand and concept within the Reading content area and for each trait within the Writing content area.
- G** Indicates the number of documents scored and the test date and identifies the District-School Number, District, and County.

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Summary Concept Performance Report

School: ANYSCHOOL

A

COHORT: 2010

Purpose

Purpose
The AIMS HS is administered to determine a student's degree of competency in the Arizona Academic Standards for reading, writing, and mathematics. AIMS meets both federal and state assessment requirements. The data derived from AIMS is used to guide instruction and to measure school performance.

Number of Students: 1000

Test Date: 02/24/09



Dist-Sch# 3000X-3000X
District: ANYDISTRICT
County: MARICOPA

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The mean points for the group excludes students with no valid attempt or an invalidation for the content area.

Strand/Concept

[illegible]

*** This group has no valid scores.

Highlights of the Summary Concept Performance Report

- A** Identifies the school and cohort. This report is generated at the school, district, and county levels—the sample shown on the previous page is for the school.
- B** Identifies the strands and concepts for the Reading content area.
- C** Identifies the six traits of effective writing for the Writing content area.
- D** Indicates the number of points possible for each strand and concept within the Reading content area and for each trait within the Writing content area.
- E** Indicates the mean points for the district for each strand and concept within the Reading content area and for each trait within the Writing content area.
- F** Indicates the mean points for the school for each strand and concept within the Reading content area and for each trait within the Writing content area.
- G** Indicates the mean points earned by the group, listing individual groups alphabetically, for each strand and concept within the Reading content area and for each trait within the Writing content area.
- H** Indicates the number of documents scored and the test date and identifies the District-School Number, District, and County.

Glossary

Forms

Different versions of a test that measure the same standard.

Item

One of the assessment units, usually a problem or a question, in a test.

Mean

An average, calculated by adding the values of a set of scores and dividing by the number of scores in the set.

Multiple-Choice Item

A question or incomplete statement that is followed by answer choices, one of which is the correct or best answer. Also referred to as a Selected-Response Item.

Performance Level

A score that measures a student's current acquired knowledge and skills in a particular content area (e.g., writing, reading, mathematics, or science).

Scale Score

Scale scores provide a standard range for reporting assessment results that permit direct comparisons of results from one administration to another. Scale scores are reported as three-digit integers for the AIMS assessment.

Selected-Response Item

A question or incomplete statement that is followed by answer choices, one of which is the correct or best answer. Also referred to as a Multiple-Choice Item.

Six-Trait Analytical Writing Rubric

A rubric that identifies and evaluates six traits, or characteristics, of effective writing on a six-point scale, with 6 as the highest score and 1 as the lowest. Student work produced for the AIMS HS extended-response writing prompt is scored using this rubric.

Standard

Writing, Reading, Mathematics, and Science are the standards being assessed. Each content standard can be broken down into three levels:

Strand—an identified subset of a content area

Concept—a broad statement or description of the knowledge and skills in a particular content area

Performance Objective—a measurable statement of desired knowledge and skills presented as a goal for student attainment

Standardized Test

A test administered in accordance with explicit directions for uniform administration.


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Arizona AIMS H.S. Spring 2009 Administration Additional Scoring Services Order Form

- 1) **Customer Information.** All reports for the schools and the district are shipped to the "Ship To" address. Complete the "Bill To" field if the information is different from the "Ship To" information.

| | | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|
| District Name: | | District Number: | |
| Ship To: | | Bill To: | |
| Name: | Title: | Name: | Title: |
| Address: | | Address: | |
| City: | | City: | |
| Phone: | Fax: | Phone: | Fax: |
| Purchase Order # (required): | Purchase Order Amount: | Authorized Signature (required): | |

- 2) **Additional Report Services.** Additional reports are available after all contracted reports have been delivered. To order, complete the appropriate box(es) below. There is a \$140.00 setup fee associated with each report selected.

| Additional Reports | | | | | |
|---|--|---------|--------------------|-------------------|-------|
| | Report Description | Content | Number of Students | Price per Student | Total |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Report--group (1 copy) | | | \$1.47 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Report--school (1 copy) | | | \$1.47 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Confidential Roster Report Detail --group (1 copy) | | | \$0.80 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Roster Report Summary--group (1 copy) | | | \$0.80 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Confidential Roster Report Detail--school (1 copy) | | | \$0.80 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Roster Report Summary--school (1 copy) | | | \$0.80 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Confidential Roster Report Detail--district (1 copy) | | | \$0.80 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Roster Report Summary--district (1 copy) | | | \$0.80 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Confidential Concept Performance Report--group (1 copy) | | | \$1.42 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Confidential Concept Performance Report--school (1 copy) | | | \$1.42 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Summary Concept Performance Report--school (1 copy) | | | \$1.42 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Summary Concept Performance Report--district (1 copy) | | | \$1.42 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Demographic Report--school (1 copy) | | | \$0.85 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Demographic Report--district (1 copy) | | | \$0.85 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Summary Report--school (1 copy) | | | \$1.10 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Summary Report--district (1 copy) | | | \$1.10 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Data File -- group (1 copy on CD) | | | N/A | |
| Setup fees | | | | | |
| Subtotal | | | | | |
| Shipping & Handling (calculate as 8% of Subtotal) | | | | | |
| Total (add Subtotal & S/H together) | | | | | |
| <p>NOTE: Prices indicated above are per student and are valid through October 1, 2009. If you are unsure of the number of students, contact the Arizona Help Desk at 888-630-9145.</p> | | | | | |

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- 3) **Place Order.** To place an order, fax this completed form to 800-428-2668, or mail to

CTB/McGraw-Hill
6901 North Michigan Road
Indianapolis, IN 46268
Attn: AIMS Custom Scoring Team

For assistance, please contact the Arizona Help Desk at 888-630-9145.

- 4) **Reference.** Report packages generated as part of the Arizona AIMS HS contract:

School Summary Package 1

Summary Concept Performance Report–school (1 copy)
Demographic Report–school (1 copy)
Confidential Roster Report Detail–school (1 copy)
Roster Report Summary–school (1 copy)
Confidential Roster Report Detail–group (2 copies)
Roster Report Summary–group (2 copies)
Confidential Concept Performance Report–school (1 copy)
Confidential Concept Performance Report–group (1 copy)

School Summary Package 2

Summary Report–school (1 copy)

School Student Package 1

Student Report–school (1 copy)

School Student Package 2

Student Report–school (1 copy)

District Package 1

Summary Concept Performance Report–district (2 copies)
Summary Concept Performance Report–school (2 copies)
Demographic Report–district (2 copies)
Demographic Report–school (1 copy)
Confidential Roster Report Detail–school (1 copy)
Roster Report Summary–school (1 copy)

District Package 2

Summary Report–district (2 copies)
Summary Report–school (1 copy)
Student Data File–school (1 copy on CD)

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